Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 09 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 10 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 09 Mar 2023 at 02:23 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the cold generally fine conditions during Thursday and Friday, lower for the details later Friday and over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 09 Mar 2023: Mainly dry and sunny, but cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 09 Mar 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
20%	10%	10%	20%	20%	20%

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Weather: A dry and bright day with plenty of sunshine, but perhaps the odd snow shower at first towards Ben Wyvis and the Caithness hills.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%.

Low cloud and visibility: Summits largely clear of cloud with excellent visibilities, but broken cloud forming in the showers with bases down to 400 metres and poor visibilities.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	12/14 SE	15/19 E	16/22 E	17/23 E	21/28 E	19/25 E	11/14 NE
900	12/14 SE	17/21 E	16/21 E	17/23 E	20/27 E	19/25 E	10/13 NE
600	10/12 SE	11/17 E	12/17 E	12/19 E	12/20 E	11/18 NE	6/9 NE
300	6/11 E	7/16 E	7/18 E	8/21 E	6/20 E	6/20 NE	4/11 NE
Glen	10/13 E	11/18 E	10/18 E	9/18 E	9/20 NE	7/16 NE	6/11 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-7/-13	-6/-14	-6/-13	-5/-13	-6/-15	-7/-15	-7/-13
900	-6/-13	-6/-14	-5/-12	-4/-12	-6/-14	-6/-14	-6/-12
600	-4/-9	-3/-9	-2/-8	-2/-7	-3/-9	-4/-10	-4/-8
300	-5/-9	-2/-6	1/-3	1/-2	-2/-5	-2/-6	-3/-6
Glen	-2/-7	-0/-5	3/-1	4/0	1/-3	0/-3	-0/-3
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	00m	100m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Very cold temperatures with a significant wind chill as the winds freshen. Sun glare off the snow pack.

Forecast for Friday 10 Mar 2023
Weather: A few snow showers around northern and western coastal ranges, otherwise mostly dry and clear overnight followed by sunny spells during the morning. Showers will turn heavier and spread southeast across all ranges during the evening, before clearing away south overnight.

Maximum wind: North backing westerly for a time, 10-15 mph, but locally 25 gust 35 mph across the north later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%, becoming 40% for a time during the evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Summits largely clear of cloud with excellent visibilities, but broken cloud forming in the showers with bases down to 400 metres and poor visibilities, and this becoming more widespread for a time during the evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 5 rising to plus 4 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 6 Celsius.
Freezing level: Surface to 200 metres.

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